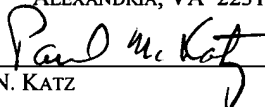


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Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 forms be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified Continuation-in-Part patent application.

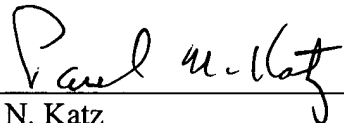
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)(1), copies of the thirty-two (32) cited art references on the attached two (2) pages of Form PTO-1449, specifically, references A-FF, are not attached hereto, as each of these thirty-two (32) references was previously submitted in the related patent application U.S.S.N. 10/039,697, filed October 26, 2001.

Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), Applicants do not represent that a search has been made and do not admit that these references are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability of the present Continuation-in-Part patent application.

As this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the Continuation-in-Part patent application referenced above, and therefore, before the mailing of the first office action on the merits, Applicants believe that no fee is due. However, should the Commissioner deem that a fee is due in association with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner accept this as a Petition Therefor, and authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees due to Baker Botts L.L.P. **Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order No. 074104.0118.**

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